

# IN INTERESTING HISTORY. 

## GOLD PENS:

WHO INVENTED THEM; WHEN, AND WHERE.

# FOLEY'S DIAMOND POINTED GOLD PENS: 

HOW THEY ARE MADE; THE MACHINERY USED; THE DIFFERENT PROCESSES FULLY ILLUSTRATED.

## DIAMOND (IRIDIUM) POINTS:

WHAT THEY ARE, AND HOW APPLIED,

THEIR GREAT VALUE.
The Important fegatures of a Good Gole Pen.



To those engaged in mercantile pursuits, any invention that will facilitate their labors, is highly worthy of notice as well as extensive patronage. One of the most important inventions of the present age, is that of a pen that possesses the necessary qualities of fineness in mark and durablilty in use.

Preeminently such are those of JOHN FOLEY, Manufacturer of fine Gold Pens and Pencils. Their superior value is tested by the long time he has been engaged in our city in their manufacture. We, the subscribers, who know the value of Foley's Pens from constant use of them for a number of years, cheerfully recommend them to those who wish for the best and most perfect Gold Pen ever made.

Signed by the following leading Merchants and Bankers of New York City, and over one thousand others:

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No. 1 in the amallest and No. 21 the largest Long nib Pen made.


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No. $5 \frac{1}{1}$ and 61 Gold Pen, short nib,. . $e$ $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { each, } & 200 \\ " & 800 \\ " & 400 \\ " 1 & 450 \\ " & 500 \\ " & 250\end{array}$
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" $11 \frac{1}{1}$ and $18 \frac{1}{2}$
( $16 \frac{1}{4}, 17 \frac{1}{4}, 18 \frac{1}{3}$ and 19$\}$, short nibs
" $\qquad$

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No. $5 \frac{1}{\xi}$ is the smallest and No. $19 \frac{1}{\xi}$ is the largest Short nibs made. All Short nib Pens are half Nos.


GOLD PENS, WITH EBONY GOLD-PLATED DESK HOLDERS
No. 1 Gold Pen and Holder. ...............each, $\$ 100$ No. 7 to 97 Gold Pen and Hold


GOLD PENS, WITH EBONY GOLD-PLATED DESK HOLDERS.
No. 12 and $12 \frac{1}{2}$ Gold Pen and Holder $\qquad$ each, 8550
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FOLEY'S CELEBRATED "BANK" GOLD PENS, WITH GOLD-PLATED HOLDERS.
No. $9 \frac{1}{2}$ Gold Pen and Holder; short nibs. . . each, $\$ 375 \mid$ No. $7,8 \& 9$ Gold Pen \& Holder, long nibs. each. $\$ 375$
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" $11 \frac{1}{2} \& 12 \frac{1}{4}$ Gold Pen \& Holder, short nibs, " 550 " $11 \& 12$ Gold Pen \& Holder, ". .. . 50


BROAD POINTS AND DESK HOLDĖRS, INDELIBLE INK PEN AND HOLDER, SHORT NIBS.
No. 22 and $22 \frac{1}{2}$ Gold Pen and Holder

Nos. 22, 23 and 24 Pens will fit any No. 5, 7 and 10 Holder or Case.

GOLD PENS, WITH GOLD-PLATED SLIdE HOLDERS
No. 1 Gold Pen and Slide Holder
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { " } & 2 \\ \text { " } & 3 \text { and } 4 \\ \text { " Gold Pen and Sliác Holder }\end{array}$ each, $\$ 150$
" 5 to $6 \frac{1}{3}$
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { " } & 200 \\ . " & 250 \\ . " & 325\end{array}$
No. 7 to $9 \frac{1}{2}$ Gold Pen and Slide Holder. . . .each, $\$ 450$



No. 2, Gold Pen and Revere
 10 per cent. discount to shippers or others who will purchase half dozen or more articles.


All half numbers are abort-nib peas, and like in size and price to long nibe withoat the half nambo-ftting into all the same cases and holdors.


GOLD PENS, WITH SILVER EXTENSION CASE.
No. 1 Pen and Silver Extension Case. . . . . each, $\$ 150$ No. 5 to 64 Pen and Silver Extension Case, each, $\$ 3.50$
 10 per cent. discount by the half dozen or upwards. " 11 to $19 \frac{1}{2}$ " " " 10 per cent. discount if you purchase a half desen or upwards.
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GOLD PENS, WITH SILYER SCREW EXTENSION PENCIL CASE.

.. 3 \& 4 " 400 $\qquad$
10 per cont. discount on all purchases of half dozen and upwands.


GOLD PENS, WITH GOLD-PLATED PEARL HOLDERS.
 3\& 4 "
$+50$
Mlide and Deak, Pearl, same price.


## FINE SOLID GOLD GOODS

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FINE GOLD SCREW TOOTH-PICKS.


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fine gold screw pencils.

No. 2 Gold Screw Piok

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                                    FINE SOLID GOLD GOODS (16 karat).
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fine solid gold screw cases, with pen and pencil.

fine solid gold screw pen and pencil cases, with diamond heads.


FINE SOLID ( 16 karat) GOLD MAGIC PENCILS.


No. 1 \& 2 Plain \& Bngine turned.
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. engraved. " 850
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" 12
No. 7 \& 8 Plain \& Fhagive turned.

FINE SOLID (I6 karat) GOLD MAGIC PENCILS.


No. 18 \& 14 Plain \& Ihagnno turned.
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. . . . . . .each, 82000 engraved "، 2200 $\begin{array}{lll}\text {. ........ } & \text { ". } & 14-00 \\ \text { engraved } & \text { ". } & 18 \\ 00\end{array}$

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. 19 \& 20 Plan \& Engine turned. . . . . . . .each, 8


gold telescope pen and pencil cases.


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## GOLD MOUNTED PEARL GOODS <br> GODMOUNTEDPEARL GOODS.




GOLD MOUNTED 'PEARL MAGIC PENCILS.


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gold mounted rubber screw pencil and pen cases.


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10 per cent. discount on all purchases of half dozen and upwards.

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GOLD MOUNTED IVORY SCREW PENCILS.


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 No. 17 Pditorial Pen and Holder and Box.........enn, $86 . e_{0}$




Three feet, Black W alnut, Bevel Front, Show Cases, Lettered in Gold, 812.50 each. Will hold an assortment of $\$ 800$ to $\$ 1,000$ worth.

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\text { SAME SIZE SILVER PLATED \$ } 18 \text { TO } \$ 25
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No. 10.-" Bank" Pen, Holder and Box, 85.00. Morocco Boxes like this, to hold any sise Pen and Holder, 25 to 00 cents ach.

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Foley's Improved Pen and Pencil Cases and Pencils of every kind put up in neat traye like this, without charge for trays.
A large stock of the newest style Pencil and P $\sim \mathrm{n}$ ('ases always on hand.



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We cheerfully recommend FOLEY'S GOLD PENS to the Trade. We have sold them for rears. We are well acquainted with Mr. Foley; he has. been remarkably successful, and is now the leading Gold Pen manufacturer ; a reliable man to do business with, and always accommodating.

The fact that there are more of Foley's Pens used in New York than of all other Gold Pens combined, is the best proof of their superior quality and finish.

Fraycis \& Loutrel, Stationers. T. W. Roe \& Co., Stationers.

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> R. C. Root, Avthony \& Co., Stationers, 62 Liberty Street, New York, May 25, 1868.
For many years we have been extensively engaged in stationery business with banks, merchants and insurance companies, keeping a large assortment of gold pens of various makers. Finding Foley's Pens superseding the sale of the others, we found it to our interest a few years ago to sell them exclusively, and now, after a trial of seven years, we find the result perfectly satisfactory to our customers, and with little or no trouble to ourselves.

We consider Foley's Bank Gold Pens the best and most saleable pens in this market, particularly for banking and insurance purposes. As we sell a large number of gold pens, we have given much attention to the same. We therefore recommend both Mr. Foler and his escellent Gold Pens to the trade throughout the country.
R. C. ROOT, ANTHONY \& CO.

> Office of adams Expriss Company, New York, December, 1866.

I am well acquainted with the process of gold pen making, being one of the late firm of Sperscre, Rendell \& Dixon, gold pen manufacturers. I have used Johy Foley's Gold Pens, and consider them, without any exception, the best and most perfect Gold Pens now manufactured.

HIRAM DIXON.
We fully concur with Mr. Drions.
ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY.
JOHN HOEY, Superintendent Adams Express Company. ALEXANDER HOLLAND, Treasurer American Erepress Company.

New Orleants, Le., January, 1887.
I have sold a large number of FoLEx's celebrated Gold Pens for the past seven years, and have found them to give universal satisfaction. T. FITZWILLIAM,

Wholesale and Retail stationer, Ne 76 Cunap $\mathrm{St}_{4}$
I concur with Mr. Frtzwilliay. Foier's Gold Pens are the best.
JOHN W. MADDEN. Stationar and Printor.

# SPECIAL TRADE NOTICE. 

Vo. 2 Astor House, Brouduray,
New York.
The large demand for my Diamond Pointed BANK and other GOLD PENS has induced certain Jobbers and Pen Makers, unable to find sale for their own goods, to exchange their Pens for whl and damaged pens of my manufacture, which, after re-pointing and cleaning up, are sold to dealers as new grods. A leading stationery house was recently imposed upon in this way : goods were pur. chased by them as Foley's New Pens. some of which were 20 years old, being made and dated in 1854. Fo second-hand goods purchased in this way will be exchanged or taken back except as old gold.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE TRADE,
FOLEY'S are the only Gold Pens which are dated the year in which they are manufactured, so that dealers may always rely upon receiving new goods. Those made and dated $185 \%$ will be exchanged for any other goods of my manufacture unsuited to your market during the year 1876 (or one year after purchase), provided an order is given for a fresh assortment, -old or damaged goods excepted.

Never send goods on consignment.

## FOLEY'S SOLID GOLD PENS are the FINEST, BEST and CHEAPEST in the Market.

fully warranted 16y karat fine gold as here appears :
"UNITED STATES ASSAY OFFICE,
New York, December 10th, 1888.
GOLD BULLION DEPOSITED.-One GOLD PEN, stamped 'JOHN FOLEY'S Bank Pen. New York, 1888. No. 10.' Fineness of Gold, 870-1000, equal to 18 k karat fine.

JOHN TORREY, Assayer."
( 1 Adopted by the Government of the United States, and now in use in the several Departments at Washington.

FOLEY'S GOLD PENS are more durable, from the fact that they are made thick, heavy and elastic, and contain nearly one-third more fine Gold than that of any other Gold Pen of a like size. Refer to scales.

All finished in the best manner, and every Pen carefully examined before leaving the factory.

## A Large Assortment of Fine Coods, New Styles, in

## Gold, Silver, Ivory, Pearl and Rabber Pencil and Pen Cases and Pen Holders.

Orders, with good references or Cash, will have immediate attention.
STRANGERS ordering by Mail for the FIRST TIME, WITHOUT SEEING SAMPLES, may return the gcods WITHIN TEN DAYS, IF FOUND UNSATISFACTORY, AND TME MONEY WHL BE REFUNDED.

## ETEECLALTY.-Splendid Goods at very Low Ratek. Sole Manufacturer of FOLEY'S Colebrated "Bank" Gold Pons. One Trade Price; mir, homorable dealing. All my Pone dated the year in which they are mado.

P. S.-Neat Black Walnut three foot SHOW CASES (see page 85), bevel front (with Trays to fit), and Lettered in Gold, will be furnished to our friends at wholeaale cost, $\$ 12.50$ each. It is true that parties offer to loan or give them away, provided a bill of goods is purchased, the prices of which are so fixed that the dealer actually has to pay for several show cases instead cf getting one for nothing. I hardly need to saggest to close buyers, that if they need a Show Case they will promote their own best interest by parchasing the same in usual way.
the oldest and leading gold pen house in the united states. established, 1848.

## IMPORTANT TO DEALERS.

Desiring to promote the true interest of my customers and protect them from local competition hereufter, I shall only sell my goods to ONE STATIONER AND JEWELER IN EACH TOWN, large cittes excepted, and in some places will give the sole agency to one house. To such Agents I will agree to furuish,

First. - The Finest and Best Solid Gold Pens, Pencils and Pen Holders, at low rates.
SECOND. - A handsome engraved Certificate of Agency, with your name and address, also with names of several leading Merchants and Bankers of New York, certifying that FOLEY'S celebrated Bank Gold Pers are the best and most perfect manufactured.

Thind.-A large Gilt Gold Pen, for a sign, three feet long, free of charge, with neat show cards.
Fotrth. -Send me your present old stock of other makers, and I will fix it up and put it in salable condition free of charge, or I may take it on account, at a fair valuation, as you may direct, after I report to you its value.

Fifth. - To aroid trouble and complaints of your customers, sell only the finest and best Gold Pens, of one manufacture ; a void mixed stock of two or more makers.

Sixth. - See that your Pens are Dated every fear, this being your only protection from old secondhand stocks (of those makers who refuse to date their Pens;) after being condemned as unsalable, and sent back by other dealers. There are thousands of half-made old Gold Pens in the market that are constantly being returned to the makers for exchange, which after being cleaned up, are sent back to the same or some other dealer. If the Pens were dated every year this could not be done; besides it is a great advantage to you to be able to determine, on looking at the date on a Pen, whether you bought or sold it in 1875 or in 1876.

SEVENTH. - The establishment in any town or city keeping the largest assortment of the best Gold Pens and Pencils, always does the largest Gold Pen business. Order by mail and save expense of sending Agent after it.

Eighth. -To make the Gold Pen busines a success, do it properly as above, and you will be satisfied with the result. Unless you want to injure your business, never sell a friend or customer a bad Gold Pen.

Terms 3 months, if good reference is given, or 5 per cent. discount for cash.
ON THE CONDITIONS,
First. -That you will agree to sell my Gold Pens exelusively.
SECOND. - That you will purchase an assortment suitable for your town or city.
Third. -That you will renew your stock as often as sales will warrant, every three or four months. FoURTH. -That you will return once a year, all your old stock to exchange for new-dated Pens. Fifth. -That you will push sales, advertising your Agency in Papers, Circulars, Envelopes, \&c. A fair compliance only with above is expected.
To save trouble, indicate amount, and I will carefully select such an assortment as I know will suit your trade. No Agent appointed unless at least a $\$ 100$ order is given.

A small assortment of $\$ 100$ to $\$ 500$ will sait your town, or $\$ 1,000$ to $\$ 2,000$ for large cities. This amount invested in Gold Pens will pay better than a larger sum pat in any other goods; besides, it will add greatly to the neat appearance of the store, and make a handsome display.
[FI As this matter must be for our mutual interest, and to secure certificate of agency, your prompt answer, by mail, will oblige,

Very respectfully yours,

P. O. Box 15.

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We have used Joun Foley's "Bank" Gold Pens in our office here for several-years. For great durability and superior writing qualities, Foley's are the "best" we have ever used.

THEODORE T. JOHNSON
Secretary.

Office of Wells, Fargo \& Co.,
New York, June 18th, 1868.
We fully concur with Mr. Jornson, and desire specially to recommend Folex's excellent Gold Pens to our friends in California, where Mr. Foley is about to establish an Agency for the sale of his Goods.

WELLS, FARGO \& CO.
By C. Goddard, Treasurer.

## FOLEY'S GOLD PENS

Being the finest and best Pens in the market, one of them will last for years, and prove to be the least expensive writing instrument ever invented.

For sale by all first-class Stationers and Jewelers throughout the country, at the manufacturer's prices. By purchasing six or a dozen, ten per cent. will be deducted.

These goods sent by mail or express on receipt of Price, and selected carefully, as parties may indicate, to suit any hand-stiff, limber, coarse or fine writing Pens-with privilege to exchange, free of charge, if returned within one month. Bent or damaged Pens will not be exchanged; will always allow value for same.

Pencil Cases and Holders sent by mail should be put up in Morocco Boxes and registered. Send fifty cents extra for this purpose. Pens (withont Cases or Holders) may be sent in a letter without extra charge. To avoid injury from post mark, pin or paste the Pen to the lower or left-hand corner of your letter.

TE Do not warrant or recommend re-pointing Gold Pens. Cannot be made like or as good as new: Yet repairs will be done at the risk and to accommodate the owner. Charge for all repairing fifty cents, which should be sent with the Pen.

Address,

